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### STATE NEWS

Torrance county people must raise a portion of the fund needed for maintaining a county agent this year before Feb. 15 or lose the agent. The commissioners of the county hold their next session on the date named, when it is understood action one way or the other will be taken. A committee consisting of Willie Elgin, Cleofas Romero, Joseph Peterson, J. L. Stubbfield and Dr. C. J. Amble has been appointed to solicit subscriptions for the enterprise. Roland Harwell is the present county agent.

Surveyors have laid out a high line ditch and dam at Fort Sumner which will serve land where now water can be obtained only by pumping. The community is much excited at the prospective aid to its agricultural development.

Three men were examined Saturday for the position of state coal mine inspector left vacant by the resignation of Rees H. Beddow, of Gallup. They were W. W. Riston, of Albuquerque, former superintendent of the Madrid mines; Robert Wyper, and James Yates, of Gibson, formerly connected with the Diamond and Victor-American companies. The law requires practical mining experience in the inspector's office.

Word was received at Portales last week of the fatal shooting of Verge

### EXCURSIONS



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Wheatley, a former resident of that place at Mangum, Okla.

S. O. Strong, a well driller, was practically instantly killed a few days ago near Roswell, when the steel cable of a drill rig snapped and the broken end hit him on the head. Strong was about 40 years old and unmarried.

The Rev. Mr. Horn a Baptist preacher at Mills, has been arrested charged with the theft of some goats. Friends of the minister declare there are unstated motives connected with the prosecution and say that the pastor merely shut up in his pasture goats which had invaded his place and done considerable damage, it being his intention to force their owner to pay for the feed they had consumed.

Tomorrow morning the federal court will receive resolutions on the death of three prominent New Mexico attorneys who have passed away within the last few months. They are: William J. Mills, former chief justice and territorial governor of New Mexico; Edward A. Mann, also a former incumbent of the bench, and Harvey B. Fergusson, former congressman. Separate committees will prepare the different resolutions.

Marron & Wood have entered their appearance in the proceedings against them wherein they are called upon to show cause why they should not be disbarred. Other than to say that but one side of the matter had been heard as yet, their attorney, Judge Edward B. Wright, declined to comment on the case.

The state college soon will issue a bulletin dealing with the problems of the dry farmer, with special reference to feeding of stock.

E. R. Critchett, chauffeur, and E. R. Vallandigham, of Deming, who were injured seriously in an auto accident in which the three daughters of the Vallandigham family were killed last week, are reported improving.

Mrs. O. R. Haymaker, prohibited by a court decision last week from accepting pay as clerk of the Roswell board of education while a member of that board, has appealed her case.

Roswell is about to experience a house famine, if more settlers arrive at the present rate, though many efforts are being made to get new houses built for them.

Silver City sportsmen heard an address by Aldo K. Leopold of the forest service, on game protection, Friday evening.

The Silver City power company is so well pleased with its first Diesel engine, recently installed at a cost of \$20,000, that it is to put in another at an early date.

Battery A of Roswell has received 14 more artillery horses from the government, making a total of 25 now available for practice and drill. The stock came from one of the batteries on the border and is well trained in artillery work, which will be a help to the citizen soldiers. Earnest efforts to recruit the battery up to the

legal minimum, 130 men, are being made.

Southern Pacific trains are being detoured over the Santa Fe via Deming, Belen and Gallup, and on west while the tracks of the more southerly route are washed out by storms in southwestern Arizona.

### BLASIAZ IS YOUNGEST AVIATOR IN AMERICA

Norwich (Conn.) Youth Expects to Be of Service to U. S.

Norwich, Conn.—Since the death of Cecil Peoli at Washington last spring Arthur F. Blasiaz, twenty-two, a resident of Guilford, nearby, is the youngest aviator in America holding a license under the International Federation of Aeronautics.

Mr. Blasiaz left recently for Canada and contemplates going to Russia where he will demonstrate and instruct Russian army officers in the operation of the Sperry gyroscopic aeroplane stabilizer and target sighter.

When interviewed by a newspaper reporter Mr. Blasiaz said: "The Sperry stabilizer enables the pilot to fly without giving attention to lateral or longitudinal control. This relieves him from much stress and makes it possible for him to give his attention to dropping bombs with the target sighter."

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"The total load is 7,800 pounds, of which 2,000 pounds are bombs or explosives. There are two operators. The delicate parts are protected with armor, making it almost impossible to be shot down. It is possible for an enemy to launch one of these machines 400 miles at sea and fly over New York city, drop a ton of high explosives and return to its base of supply, causing great loss of life and property."

"The appearance of this great air destroyer is that of a huge beetle, as its two wings spread nearly 100 feet. The nacelle, or body, in which are the motors, fuel, munitions and operators, during flights takes on a hideous appearance in the air."

"My sole aim is that I may obtain actual experience in the art of modern aerial warfare. As a true American I feel it my duty that I may be of greater service to my country in a possible future war. The aeroplane is the eye of the nation."

### THE GERMANS BRING CAPTURED ENGLISH LINER INTO NEW YORK HARBOR.

After Having Crossed the Atlantic Slaughterhouse in One of the Most Brilliant Exploits of Submarine Warfare Today.

Newport News, Va., Feb. 1.—With the German naval ensign fluttering boldly from the stern and in charge of a German prize crew, the British South African liner Appam, given up for lost, took refuge in Hampton Roads this morning with the story of seven vessels destroyed by German searaiders off the African coast.

The Appam was captured off the Canary islands, on January 15 by a German raider, four days after she had sailed from Dakar, British West Africa for Plymouth, England.

Lieutenant Berg, of the German navy, placed on the Appam when she was captured, brought in the prize, eluding the cordon of British cruisers across the Atlantic and adding to the historic chapter of German exploits at sea, a chapter to rank with the adventures of the Dresden, Karlsruhe, Prinz Eitel Friedrich, U-29 and Kron Prinz Wilhelm.

Whether the captor was a German U boat or a hitherto unreported German auxiliary cruiser is undetermined. From what was learned by some of the officials who boarded the Appam, it is believed that some steamer, armed as a German auxiliary, raiding shipping off the African coast, took the British liner and put the prize crew aboard. This view is supported by the fact that a submarine could hardly have spared a lieutenant and such a large crew to a prize.

There were a total of 451 persons aboard the ship, including the surviving members of the crews of seven other ships sunk by the raider which captured the Appam, and twenty German civilians who were being transported from Africa to England, to be placed in detention camps. The persons on board the vessel, were listed as follows: Original members of crew, 155; original passengers, 116; German prisoners, bound for British detention camps, 20; survivors of ships destroyed 138; prize crew, 22.

A large percentage of the number on board are women and children, and it is said several high colonial officials who were returning to England from Africa. There are also on board the captured four wounded sailors who were taken from one of the sunken ships which resisted capture and was shelled.

The passengers and captured crews lined the rails of the craft as she lay about a quarter of a mile off the Old Point dock, and appeared to evince great interest in the hurried developments following the unheralded arrival of the ship in Hampton Roads.

According to the information gleaned from those who had talked with Lieutenant Berg, in charge of the prize crew, the liner was captured without show of resistance on January 15, the day that British news reports said wireless communication with the vessel suddenly ceased. The prize crew was placed on board and on the same day the warship gave chase to another British steamer, which was bound for Australia with a cargo of meat. The meat ship gave battle and was sunk, but not until a large portion of her cargo had been taken off for use by the Germans. Six more vessels were destroyed in rapid succession, it was stated, and the crews taken on board the ship, which was then headed across the Atlantic for Hampton Roads.

When the Appam came within the Virginia capes and took on a pilot, the Fort Monroe wireless station asked who she was. The reply was, it was stated, "the German cruiser Buffalo."

Upon arrival off Old Point, quarantine officer H. W. McCaffery went aboard and after his inspection, brought Lieutenant Berg ashore.

Dr. McCaffery got in touch with the German counsel L. Marshall von Schilling of Hampton, and the latter was soon on the scene at Old Point. Lieutenant Berg placed himself under the counsel's orders and they proceeded to the office of Colonel Ira Haynes, commandant of Fort Monroe where the German officer paid his respects and, it is said, explained why he had given the wireless station the name of the German cruiser "Buffalo."

Lieutenant Berg and consul von Schilling sent a number of messages to the German embassy at Washington and later had conversations over the long distance telephone with the embassy and also Collector of the Port, Hamilton, at Norfolk.

Pending the receipt of instructions from Collector Hamilton, no one is allowed on or near the Appam. Guards are at the rails on every side and no gang plank is down.

The ship has one 3-pounder mounted on her bow, but whether this was on board before her capture or was mounted by the Germans, could not be ascertained. She was brought in under the German man of war flag, instead of the German merchant flag, and her name was given to the quarantine officer as "S. M. S." Appam, meaning the German warship Appam, it is said.

### ONTARIO ALSO IN GRIP OF GREAT SNOW STORM.

Fort William, Ont., Jan. 28.—Train service in this vicinity has been demoralized, street traffic here virtually brought to a standstill and telegraph and telephone service greatly interfered with by the snow storm of last night and early today.

The city is snowbound more than at any previous time in seventeen years.

### EDDY GROVE CAMP W. O. W.

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### MONTANA IN GRIP OF RECORD BREAKING STORM.

Butte, Mon., Jan. 28.—Montana is in the grip of the worst storm tonight in twenty years. Railroad traffic is demoralized by huge drifts of snow slides and the situation is aggravated by temperatures ranging from 20 to 54 degrees below zero.

Missoula reports that the storm which has been raging for forty-eight hours throughout western Montana without any sign of abating is the most severe of any within the memory of pioneers. The Northern Pacific and Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroads have abandoned the movement of freight, efforts being confined to moving local passenger trains, which are from six to ten hours behind schedule. A snow slide today piled up the Northern Pacific branch line to Wallace, Idaho, in Stegis canon. The Butte-Missoula passenger train of the Northern Pacific was wrecked by a broken rail with the thermometer 30 below zero but no passengers are injured.

Billings reports the longest cold spell in seventeen years and a temperature of 25 below.

### KILLED 150 RATTLES.

Thrashing Crew Kept Busy After One Was Found Near Wakeney, Kan.

Wakeney, Kan.—A thrashing crew working near this city killed 150 snakes in a few minutes near where they were working recently.

A large rattler was observed by one of the men lying in a low place at the mouth of a hole. He was pulled out and killed, and with him six more, and then others.

For more than a half hour the men worked hard killing snakes, and when there were no more in sight tails were counted and 150 had been killed. The largest one measured six feet four inches, and he had an even dozen rattles.

### ONE CROP PAID FOR FARM.

Western Kansas Farmer Traded a Calf For Wheat Pasture.

Atchison, Kan.—Albert Armstrong of this city, who has just returned from a trip to Lane county, says the farmers out there are worrying about what to do with their money instead of worrying how to get along for lack of it.

Western Kansas farmers, according to Armstrong, have had a prosperous year. Last spring one Lane county farmer traded a heifer for a piece of volunteer wheat for the purpose of pasturing his cattle on it.

The wheat did so well he decided to let it grow and harvested it. And he harvested 1,200 bushels of wheat, which will be sold for \$1,300. Another farmer bought a half section of land for \$15 an acre, and the year's crop paid for the land.

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### BIGGER FLOODS FEARED IN SALT RIVER COUNTRY.

Phoenix, Ariz., Jan. 28.—With the Salt river and tributary streams rising rapidly and warm rains continuing to melt the heavy snow, in the mountains, it was feared here tonight that flooded conditions more serious than those of a week ago would be faced soon if the rain did not cease. Residents of lowlands were warned to prepare to flee.

Messages from Roosevelt dam said four inches of rain had fallen and that the gates of the dam had been opened to relieve pressure from the reservoirs' vast accumulations.

Buckeye, Arlington, Welton, and other towns along the Gila river below its junction with the Salt river, were the points toward which the flood warnings of the weather bureau here were especially directed.

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